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# AMENDMENT and RESPONSE to January 13, 2006 Non-Final Office Action

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed January 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. It is believed no claims fee is due at this time.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.